

## What in the world's going on

### Fighting Breaks Out During Humphrey Visit



French President Charles de Gaulle told Vice President Hubert Humphrey goodbye on the steps of the Elysee Palace today after talks and a luncheon. (Story on Page 2) (Cablephoto)

#### National

**POWELL SUIT DISMISSED** . . . U. S. District Court Judge George L. Hart Jr. dismissed Adam Clayton Powell's suit for his seat in Congress today, holding that the court has no jurisdiction over what the House does about its membership. An immediate appeal was planned. To order seating of the Negro Democrat from Harlem, the judge said, would be "to crash through the political thicket into political quicksand."

**BAKER SENTENCED** . . . Bobby Baker, the onetime Senate aide whose outside dealings made him a millionaire, was sentenced today in Washington to a prison term of one to three years. No fine was imposed. He could have been sentenced to as much as 48 years in prison and fined up to \$47,000.

#### International

**RUSK ARRIVES** . . . Secretary of State Dean Rusk arrived in Montevideo, Uruguay today to meet Latin American foreign ministers and put final touches to the agenda for next week's summit conference between President Johnson and 18 Latin-American chiefs of state.

**JETS DOGFIGHT** . . . While a tank battle raged below, Israeli Mirage jets and swift Syrian MIG21s slugged it out today in dogfights that Syria said swept over Damascus. Israel said six MIGs were shot down and Syria claimed two Mirages. An Israeli spokesman said two MIGs were shot down in a morning battle and four after fighting in the skies resumed in the afternoon. He made no mention of Damascus and said all the Syrian planes were downed in the area of the Sea of Galilee, where the intense ground fighting was in progress. Before the first air battle, Israeli and Syrian forces engaged in a long-range duel of tanks, artillery and mortars across the desert frontier south of the Sea of Galilee that continued into the afternoon.

**U. N. TEAM LEAVES** . . . A three-member United Nations team today angrily broke off a peace mission to the strife-torn British colony of Aden and charged that British officials here failed to co-operate with them. They went to Rome to confer with U. N. Secretary General Thant.

#### Happy Birthday Tomorrow

Mrs. Frank Beebe, Mrs. Erwin Brushwood, Noel Cunningham, Perry V. Ewing Jr., William K. Harris, Greg Kellermann, Maj. Robert F. Miller, Mrs. Waldo Palmer, Miss Sherri Sebastian, Mrs. Nell Sharrock, Mike Whitworth, David Willett, Sherman T. Yowell

#### HAPPY BIRTHDAY SUNDAY

James W. Adams, Miss Emily M. Baker, the Rev. Robert Bartel, Mrs. Christ A. Chermes, Miss Mimi Hogan, Mrs. William E. McClain Jr., R. A. Miller, Miss Lovenia Phillips, Rebecca Powell, James Earl Smarr

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### Following Voting Controversy

## School Board Acts on Registration

The Columbia Board of Education last night took the first step toward requiring prior registration for voting in a school board election.

In a motion offered by A. G. Unklesbay and seconded by John W. Woodward, the two newly elected members, the board authorized secretary James E. Saunders "to take all steps necessary to prepare for voter registration in succeeding school board elections."

The move came as a reaction to the apparent vagueness in the voting requirements for a board election and the controversy it triggered in Tuesday's voting.

**SCHOOL ELECTIONS** are unique because prior registration is not required. A citizen need only be 21 and a resident of the Columbia school district.

To be a resident a citizen must live in the state one year, the county 60 days and the school district 30 days.

During the recent campaign for school board seats, supporters of Mrs. Betty Wilson solicited the votes of University students, believing that they qualified as legal residents.

**YET WHEN** the board asked its attorney, George Spencer to clarify the term "resident", he stated that the question

of residency revolves around "the intention to remain in Columbia."

Explaining this legal point to voters and judges, Spencer prepared an affidavit which unregistered voters could sign, thereby qualifying as residents.

In effect, anyone who signed it declared that he was residing in Columbia for reasons beyond "the sole purpose of being a student" and that he intended to live in Columbia "at least indefinitely."

**EDWIN D. BIHR**, board president summarized the sentiment. "We have just been through an election that at times

became very trying because of procedures," he said. "We must simplify and modernize the procedure for next time."

"Until two years ago it was impossible to require voter registration, board member Lee Schaperketter said. "At that time the state passed legislation allowing it."

Dr. Robert C. Shaw, superintendent of schools said, "We already accept and use the registration the city has compiled as verification of residency. And we can accept affidavits for those outside the city who are in the school district."

Saunders will report his findings to the board at the May meeting.

## Library Board Rents Building

### Space Needed to Store Growing Book Collection

Rather than discard part of its growing book collection, the Columbia Library Board decided last night to rent a building on Business Loop 70 for storage.

A committee empowered to rent the building met briefly after the Daniel Boone Regional Library Board meeting and decided to rent a storage site at 1105 Business Loop 70 East from Charles Young for \$150 a month.

Gene Martin, regional library director, said lack of storage space in the downtown library is forcing him to discard or box a book every time a new one is bought. He said the library is reaching the point where it is forced to discard part of its standard collection.

**IN A REPORT** prepared for the board he said "any further weeding beyond that of a yearly nature and that brought about by normal wearing out or obsolescence of materials must be curtailed or the collection will suffer both in quantity and quality."

"If an extensive weeding policy were continued simply in order to make room for new incoming materials, the library would face the unnecessary expense of

replacing many of the weeded titles once shelving space was available in a new building."

He said the library cannot hold the 5,000 volumes now in school collections which will be returned this spring, nor the 1,000 new books acquired each month. He asked the budget committee to allot \$3,500 this year for the storage site.

**THE REGIONAL** board accepted Martin's annual report and appointed a five-member committee to study recommendations he included.

Martin suggested the addition of three professional librarians — an assistant director, an assistant children's librarian and a reference-adult service librarian. The last two would work out of the Fulton library.

He said the library has 93,754 volumes now and recommended that the book purchasing program not be curtailed. Population projections and future needs indicate an eventual collection of 250,000 volumes, he said.

In other business, the Columbia board:

- Passed a recommendation clearing up a technicality to give a warranty deed to MFA in its \$150,000 purchase of the Library's Sixth and Locust streets site.

- Authorized Martin and treasurer Mark Todd to invest a portion of the MFA money.

- Heard a brief report by the building site committee about continuing negotiations for additional land at the Broadway and Garth Avenue site where the new library will be located. Board President Temple Morgett said an offer to Skelly Oil Co., which owns part of the site necessary for the library, has been forwarded to the company's district office in Chicago.

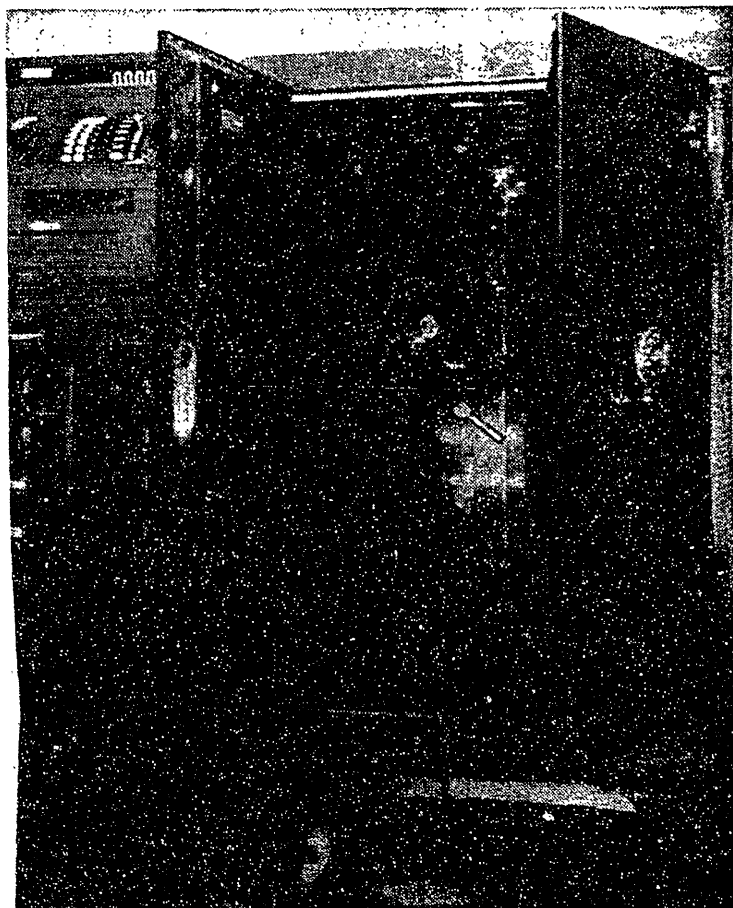
- Assured Mrs. J. Earle White, secretary-treasurer of the Parkhill Improvement Corp., a homeowners association, that the board's architect will make every effort to avoid hazardous exits and traffic confusion in designing the new library.



### Fund Drive Gets \$6,000

Financial pledges totaling \$6,000 from the MFA Insurance Co. and the Cosmopolitan Breakfast Club kicked off a fund drive toward \$25,000 for an addition to the Community Nursery School. Dr. Fred Clayton, left, receives a

\$2,500 pledge from A. D. Sappington, center, president of MFA Insurance Co. and a \$3,500 pledge from Harold Boyer, right, president of the Cosmopolitan Breakfast Club. (Missourian Photo)



Thieves took an estimated \$35,000 worth of jewelry and cameras from this safe at the Lamb's Jewelry Store last night. (Missourian Photo)

## Loss Reported at \$35,000 In Burglary at Lamb's

An estimated \$35,000 worth of jewelry and cameras was stolen from Lamb's Jewelry Store, 26 South Ninth St., between 5:30 and 9:30 p.m. yesterday.

Police early this afternoon confirmed the report that the Central Missouri Major Case Squad, popularly known as the M Squad, was organizing a crew to investigate the burglary. The squad includes representatives of the Columbia

police department, the Boone County sheriff's office, the University security staff, Jefferson City police and the Cole County sheriff's office.

The thief—or thieves—gained entrance by jimmying the front door. Frank Lamb, one of the co-owners of the jewelry store, said.

"The job was done by experts, not amateurs," Lamb told The Missourian. "They knew exactly what to take. They wiped me out clean."

The bulk of the loot was taken from the store safe.

## Witness Tells Speck's Comment About Murders

**PEORIA, Ill. (UPI)**—Richard Speck told two barroom drinkers that "it must have been a sex maniac" who killed eight young nurses in a townhouse dormitory last summer, a witness at his murder trial said today.

Robert Gerrald, the state's 26th witness against the lanky 25-year-old seaman charged with the slayings, said Speck made the comment after he "buted in" on a conversation between a man and a woman at a South Side Chicago tavern.

Gerrald, a Great Lakes seaman, testified he spent part of July 14, the day the bodies were found, on a round of bar-hopping with Speck.

Gerrald said he and Speck began talking to each other when they drank a couple of beers together at about 11 o'clock that morning in a bar a mile from the murder scene.

He and Speck later walked to another bar in the neighborhood, Gerrald said. Here they overheard a man and woman discussing the murders of the nurses.

Speck intruded into the conversation, Gerrald testified, and "I heard him say that it must have been a sex maniac that did it" to the couple."